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IN RE APPLICATION OF: BING LIN YANG

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Sir:

Prior to the Examiner acting in the above-referenced application, please preliminary amend the claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

- ~~Claim 3, line 1, please delete "or Claim 2".~~
~~Claim 5, line 1, please delete "or Claim 2".~~
~~Claim 6, line 1, please delete "or Claim 2".~~
~~Claim 7, line 1, please delete "or Claim 2".~~

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Please enter the following newly added claims:

8. (Newly Added) The surge absorber without chips defined in Claim 2,

wherein:

an air chamber provided in the housing is filled with clean, dry air, or a mixed gas comprising clean, dry air and an insert gas or hydrogen gas.